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FOR CHARGE FROM ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, IR

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR THE SHAH FROM PRESIDENT CARTER

REF: TEHRAN 4675

1. I HAVE DISCUSSED YOUR COMMENTS IN REFTEL WITH THE SECRETARY, AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN AND NSC STAFF. AFTER CAREFULLY WEIGHING THE CONSIDERATIONS YOU HAVE CORRECTLY RAISED, WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT YOU SHOULD GO AHEAD AND DELIVER WITHOUT DELAY THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO THE SHAH. IN DOING SO, YOU MAY MAKE THE POINT THAT THE SECRETARY WILL BE MEETING THIS SATURDAY WITH AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI AND WILL CONVEY THROUGH HIM FURTHER CLARIFICATION ABOUT THE AWACR DECISION AND OUR OVERALL ARMS TRANSFER POLICY

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WHICH WE ARE CERTAIN HIS MAJESTY WILL FIND REASSURING.

2. FYI: ZAHEDI, IN REQUESTING MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY, TOLD ME HE HAD RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM THE SHAH REFLECTING SOME AGITATION ABOUT OUR EXPLANATION OF NEW ARMS TRANSFER POLICY WHICH YOU CONVEYED TO KHALATBARY, ALONG LINES

OF SHAH'S REACTION REPORTED PARA TWO REFTEL. WE WILL SEND YOU FULL REPORT OF SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH ZAHEDI SO THAT YOU WILL ALSO BE IN A POSITION TO CONVEY CLARIFICATIONS IN YOUR CONTACTS IF NECESSARY. END FYI.

3. FROM YOUR REPORT OF YOUR MEETING WITH KHALATBARY (TEHRAN 4546), IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER YOU CONVEYED TALKING POINTS WHICH WERE PROVIDED ON "IF ASKED" BASIS IN PARA 9 OF STATE 115406. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. SIGNED COPY OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO THE SHAH HAS BEEN POUCHED TO YOU. YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT DELIVER SIGNED COPY UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED SUBSTITUTE FOR FIRST PAGE, WHICH IS BEING SENT BY LATER POUCH, TO BRING TEXT OF SIGNED MESSAGE INTO CONFORMITY WITH TEXT YOU HAVE RECEIVED BY CABLE AND WILL NOW BE DELIVERING. VANCE

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